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Autumn Term 1

What a fabulous start to the school year! I just wanted to say how proud I am of your children and how well they have settled in. It has been wonderful to open our doors to some new faces at Hamilton Academy and welcome the older ones back.

As we head towards the end of our first half term, I have seen lots of smiles, witnessed so much focussed work, children growing in confidence and watched friendships, new and old, blossom. It is wonderful to see their enthusiasm for learning shine.

During this half term, it was fantastic to see such a high number of you come along to our 'Watch Me Learn' and information evenings. We look forward to showcasing more of our Academy in the future – keep an eye on DOJO for more upcoming events.

On top of all our hard work this term, we welcomed City Catering into school to talk about healthy eating, the children enjoyed playing the games Mrs Roberts brought with her. We also took part in 'It's Good To Be Me' day and finished the term with a wonderful Harvest assembly at the Church. The children were all amazing and behaviour was exceptional.

May we extend our thanks and gratitude to you all for your generous donations towards our Harvest collection for the food bank, we really boosted their supplies and they pass on their thanks to you all via us. Together, we have made a difference to a lot of families lives.

For those parents / carers new to school, we take part in Your School Lottery which gives us an opportunity to raise much needed funds for our school which go towards the MAGIC days. If you would like to sign up for your chance to win, please visit <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/> and search for us. Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you luck!

Lastly, I hope you all have a wonderful half term break and I look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Tuesday 1st November for what is to be another busy but MAGICal term.

Thank you for your continued support.

'You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think' Winnie the Pooh

Yours sincerely
Mrs Glaister
Principal

Principal's Half Term Message

IT'S GOOD TO BE ME DAY!



On the 6th October the children celebrated 'Good to be me Day' where they dressed up to showcase their talents and interests. We started the day with an assembly to celebrate how special our children are. This celebration took place during Dyslexia Awareness Week and we also raised awareness of disabilities and hidden disabilities.





IT'S GOOD TO BE ME DAY!



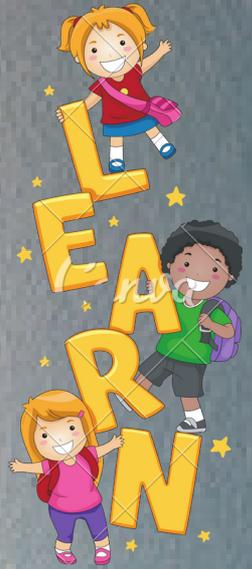
SPECIAL LUNCH



At Hamilton Academy we have a dedicated team of cooks who prepare beautiful food catered to the individual needs of our children. On 'Good to be me Day', they prepared an extra special lunch to celebrate this day.



WATCH ME LEARN



This term, the Reception class and Key Stage One classes invited the parents into school to watch their children learn!

They observed a Read, Write, Inc lesson where they watched how the children are taught to read and write and how their children learn and join in.

We were so pleased with how many parents participated in this event. It proved to be very popular. Thank you to those that provided feedback; we will always take your comments on board.

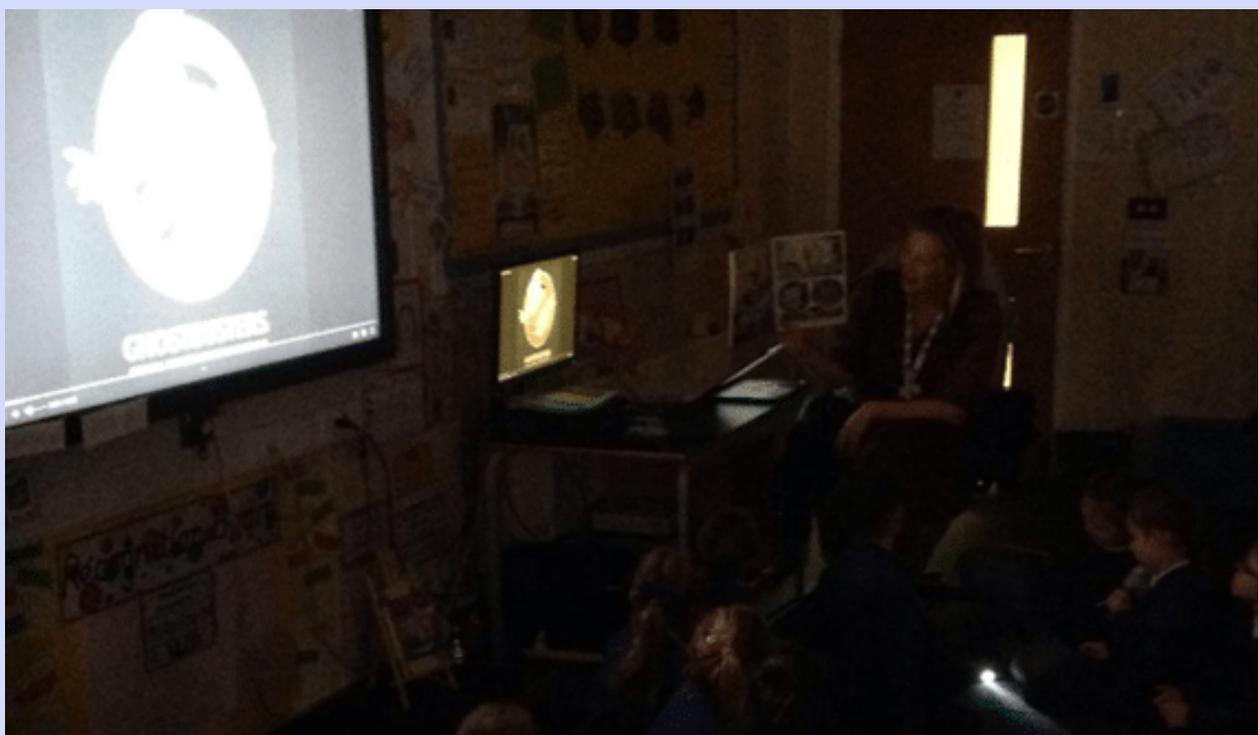


Spooky Reading Experience



During the week commencing the 17th October, the children were invited to a "Spooky Story Time" within their class. As they sat in their classes with the lights down and torches at hand, they immersed themselves in their class spooky story.

What a fantastic time the children had!



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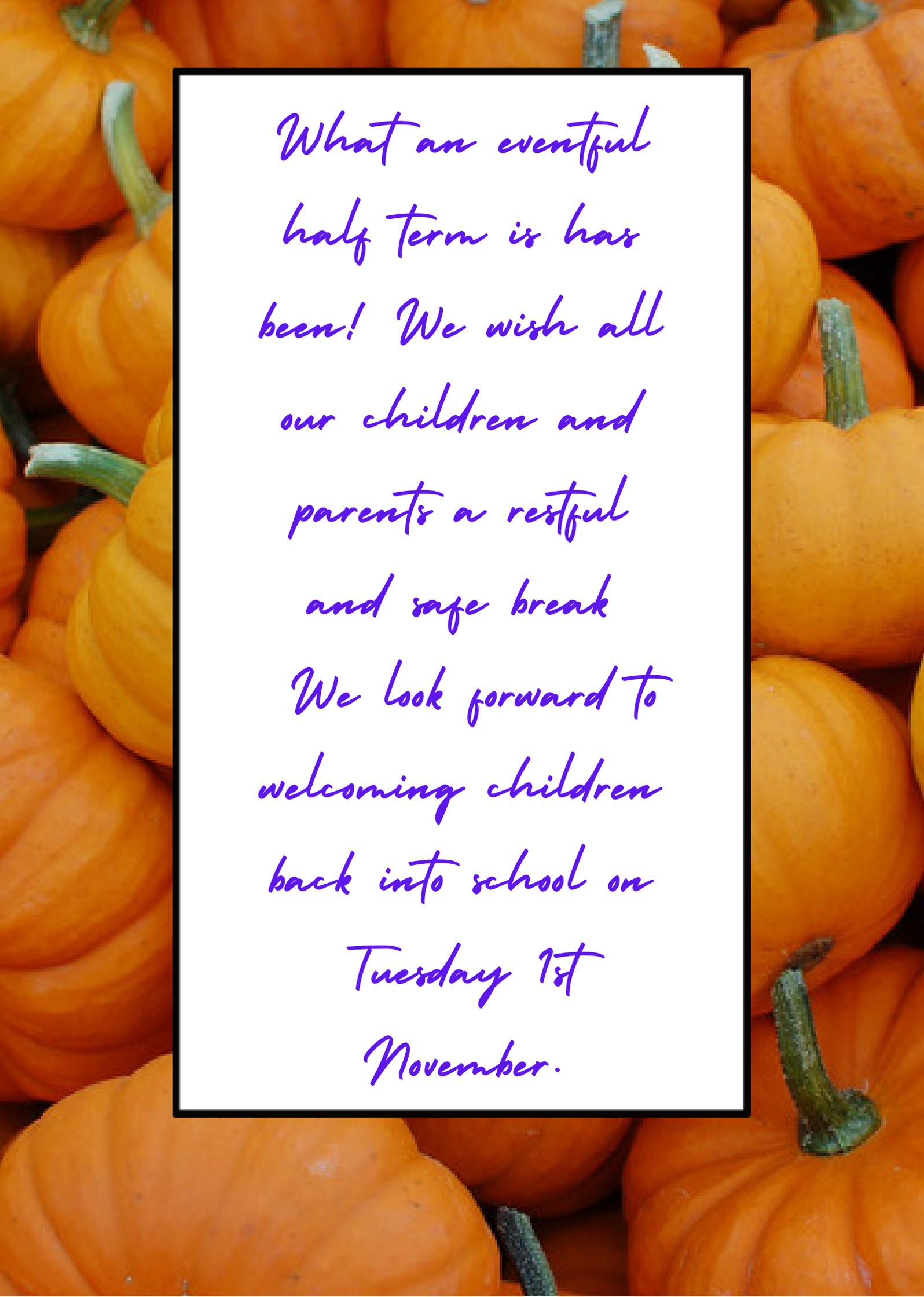
Harvest Festival



The amazing Year Two children led the Harvest Festival celebrations this year at St Matthew's church.

The children spoke with such clear speaking voices and the whole school shared their lovely singing voices with us all too! The families of our Hamilton Academy superstars also donated lots of food to our local food bank. We are certain that this is going to help so many families in need. We are so proud of our wonderful school and the families that make it so **MAGICAL**.



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What an eventful
half term it has
been! We wish all
our children and
parents a restful
and safe break

We look forward to
welcoming children
back into school on
Tuesday 1st
November.